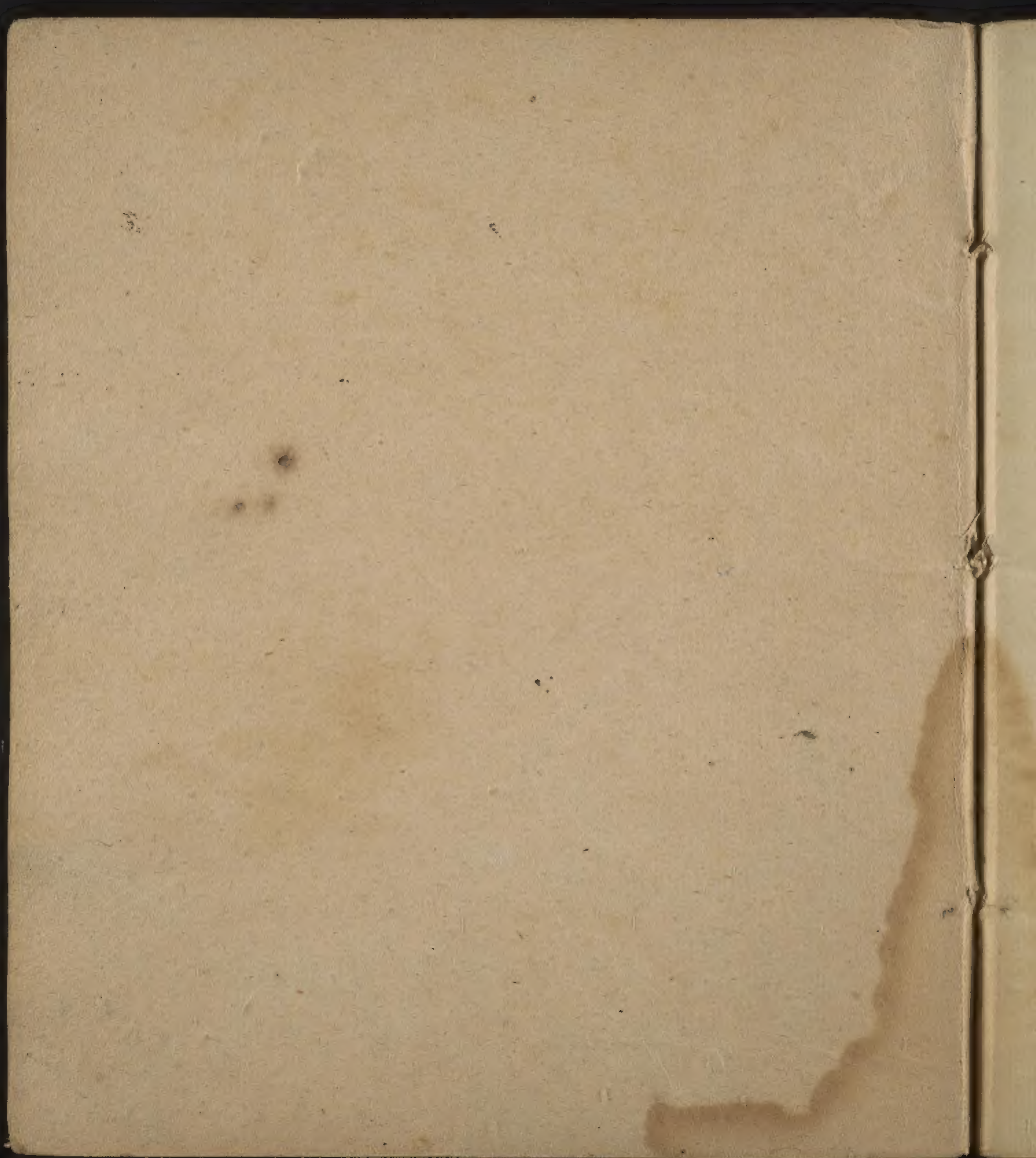


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Diseases of Puberty contin^d to 408.

Adolescence

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- Old age

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~~on the Experiments - 417.~~

Sept 10 1884
Wm. B. Smith

6 To the venereal disease from the force of the ven^{er} ~~Depetite~~.

Females at the age of puberty are ~~not~~ ^{indisp^d} ~~just~~ to all the diseases which have been named except the last ^{They are more disposed to} ~~also~~ ^{also} to a vitiated appetite ~~they are more predisposed than males.~~ - hence we find they often devour lime - coals - clay salt - and even clay & sand. They are likewise predisposed to fluor albus - Chlorosis - catarrh - or emacio mensium - head ach - cough - & phthisis pulmonalis. -

The mind partakes at this age of the miserable excitability of the body, - hence we find both males & females at this age - instable - and fluctuating in all their pursuits. -

+ and from the Absorption of the waste
gate of the lungs - the Thyroid gland. This plethora
generally falls on the lungs - hence
the predisposition to pulmonary comp^s
at this period of life. -

✓ This has been demonstrated by many
exp^{ts} made by Dr Wintrebotham.

In the period of Adolescence in which

I include from ^{18 or} 19 to 35, or 36, the body is

predisposed to fevers - to pulmonary con-
~~sumption~~ ^{active} - A ~~the~~ plethora

- consumption & to hemorrhages - ~~the~~ ^{which} ~~the~~ powers of
 is induced ~~when growth ceases~~ ^{from} the age of 36 ~~or 40~~

~~In the period in which the arterial~~
 make blood continuing the same, after a large quantity
~~plethora of arteries become dense~~
 of it is required for the use of the body. ~~this plethora~~
~~the~~ from birth to the conclusion

of the period of ^{manhood} Adolescence, the veins have
 more density, or more ^{firmness} ~~strength~~ in pro-
 portion to their quantity of matter, than
 the arteries - But after 36 and until

40, or 46 - the arteries acquire gradually
 more density & firmness than ^{the} veins.

In consequence of this change in the state
 of the blood vessels, the veins become
 more subject to ~~obscure~~ debility than

v These two last diseases ^{generally} make their appearance before any other - for the venous plethora is commonly first established in the vena porta - from which it is easy to account for ^{the} its regurgitation of the blood in the ~~hemorrhoids~~ hemorrhoids, & its effusion into the bowels from the liver in melena.

the Arteries, and a plethora whether
 acquired by excess in eating, or a sup-
 -pression of natural evacuations is shown
 upon the veins instead of the Arteries.
 This exchange of density & ^{the capacity of} ~~tenuity~~
^{distension} between the Arteries & veins is performed
 gradually. It ~~begins~~ varies as ^{the}
time it begins, & as to the term of years
 it continues. — During the exchange, there
 is a constant strife between the Arteries
 & veins, and according as the one or the
 other predominates, — ~~hence~~ this period is
 marked with a predisposition to many
 diseases, as Obsolete head ach — Colic —
 Dysentery — hemorrhoids — ^{& the Melena} ~~acute fevers~~
 of all kinds —

~~Old age in which fire burns~~
 The establishment of the victory

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between of the ~~venous system~~ arteries over
the veins, generally, produces a period
of good health. The Bills of mortality
in Breslau in Silesia show that fewer
people die between ^{the} 40th & 57th years of
life, than in any other ¹⁷ years of human
life. many constitutional diseases
now disappear particularly head aches, &
a disposition to pulmonary consumption.
= on. ~~This period is marked not only~~
Excitement & excitability are now in an
exact ratio to each other, and the motions
of life, like as like the sound of the Polian
harp when exposed to a steady trade wind,
are regular and uniform. This period
is moreover marked with more happi-
=ness than any other period of life - not

therefore makes use of
V ~~Here~~ The first time, a man ~~puts on~~
a pair of Spectacles, he puts on a part of his
shroud, and ~~every~~ ^{the first} time he rises to make
water in the night, ~~he is led~~ from an inability
to retain it till morning, he makes ~~his~~ a
movement towards his grave. The Cepation
of the Catamenia are the first signs of old
Age in Women. -

+ Between 50 & 70 the teeth - [or the pillars
of the tabernacle] become loose, and fall out
without any mark of decay.

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only from the influence of good health
upon happiness, but from the ~~repose~~
~~exhausted~~ state of the stimulating

passions. ~~of~~ During this period, however
~~Death near 57, the system begins to decline~~
~~from old age~~

~~system~~ makes his first sunset attack
upon ^{the} system. The first ~~marks~~ ^{tokens} of his ~~age~~
~~character~~ ^{impair} - are the decay of the eyesight,

and the languid action of ~~the system~~
of ~~the~~ Sphincter of the bladder. After 57
the signs of the decay of the body become
gradually more evident. - From 57 to

63 the system is predisposed to ^{Dyspepsia} ~~colic~~
Vertigo - palsy & apoplexy - all of which
are ~~for~~ the effects of more or less of

congestion in the Venous system
(which is said to be the grand characteristic)
From 63 to the close of life, the system

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undergoes a material & gradual change.
 In proportion to the decay of the excitement,
 the excitability of the system decreases.
~~hence the predisposition of old people to~~
 - There we behold the commencement of
 a second childhood. - It is in consequence
 of the return of the excitability of childhood
 in old people, that they are so much disposed
 to wakefulness & to fatigue, ^{from labor or exercise.} - ~~hence~~ It is in
 this first stage of old age that the grasp be-
 comes indeed a burden to the body.
 - It is this predominance of excitability
 over excitement, that disposes old men
 to be affected with a much less quantity of
 distilled or fermented liquors, than they
 early or middle life. It is this likewise
 which disposes them to be carried off
 so easily by intense heat & cold, - by

✓ composed of two threads, but three of these
threads support at this period the life of
man.

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light changes in the air, - by or light
~~unattractive~~ diseases, particularly the
Influenza - and lastly by emotions of
the mind. - Allowing the cord of life to be V

as the body advances towards 80 or 90, ano-
ther material change in the system takes
place. The sensitivity of the ^{nervous system} ~~system~~ decreases,
but the ^{excitability} ~~sensibility~~ of the sy arterial
system increases - hence the pulse - ~~an~~
hardens - ~~and~~ and slowness of the pulse
in extreme old age. - It would seem as
if the ^{exit} ~~inlet~~ of the whole system was
absorbed by the arteries, for while they
become more full & slow from Impulsions,
every other part of the system becomes
torpid, and yields with more difficulty
to the impulse of stimuli. - It is from this
acquired ^{excitability} ~~stimulability~~ of the arteries that

✓ both died of acute inflamm^d Diseases
between the 80th & 90th years of their
lives. I have often spoken of the importance
of the blood vessels as the instruments, &
Centinels of health & life. You see here
how they collect all the fragments of acite-
ment ^{as that they do in sleep,} strength in old age; & thus conduct
us gently & safely down the hill of life.

they become ~~more~~ disposed to inflammation
 - and hence inflamm^y fevers often occur in
 young ~~people~~. - ~~Dr~~ Dr Chevre^x Dr Franklin.

Age But further, the fluids of the body
 become acid by age, - hence the pungent
 smell of the perspiration & Urine in old
 age, and hence the ~~corrosive~~ ^{sharp} quality of the
 tears. It is from ~~hence~~ this acid quality in the
 fluids that trifling ~~leser~~ sores in old people
 so often terminate in cancers. & trifling
 bruises in mortification. -

From every view we can take
 of the system in old age, it is evident that
 it is marked by a progressive ^{partial, & general} debility.
 - Hence the diseases to which this debility
 disposes them are ~~more~~ chronic & acute.
 The chronic ^{appear} in the arterial
~~of the bladder - Retention - weakness,~~

+ The disposition to weep & to be angry arise from great nervous irritability. The Duke of Malborough discovered both these marks of a second childhood in his old age. —

~~The nerves in the~~
✓ ~~become~~ of the head & hands — and
even in the organs of speech — hence their
fuddled & squeaking voices

✓ As in Tremors, ~~and at last~~ they begin
in the head and hands, and gradually
extend to the organs of speech — hence their
slow, and squeaking voices — next to their
lower limbs — ~~then to the muscles~~ the
weakness which produces these tremors
affects the back — hence the ~~at~~ inability of
very old people to sit up. — ~~finally~~ ^{next} it reaches
~~weakens~~ the spincters of the Rectum &
Bladder — hence their involuntary stools —
finally in the muscles which are employed
in Respiration. This function from the

416. in Vertigo longh - or fatal -
system as ~~fevers~~ and ~~franklinian~~
~~rhys ferilis~~. - 2 in the nervous
system as in Diapnefs - imperfect vision -
of Dysuria. +
~~Proctog~~ in the muscular ~~vascular~~
~~system~~ as in the ~~spine~~ of the bladder &
in the muscles which confine the ~~urine~~ in
3 in the Brain - as in Vertigo - & Whiffulness.
4 by the muscles & bones. V or ~~involuntary~~
5 ~~from the alimentary canal~~ as ~~costiveness~~
~~discharge of stools~~ in the bowels, as colic - ~~distention~~
+ The Acute diseases appear in the
arterial system - as in ~~frigid~~ Pneumonia
notha - Dysuria - Hemorrhoids - and
fevers of all kinds from the most acute
inflam^d down to the Quanta Ague.
2 in the nervous & arterial ^{system} as in palsy
& Apoplexy 3 in the Alimentary Canal as
in ~~costiveness~~ Colic ~~costiveness~~ &c. Dist from
in ~~the head~~ of the hands.
4 all arise from the exaust^d state of vit^{al} & sensib^{le}?
It is never attended with pain. It is a rare disease.
The decay of the men^{strual} go to p 422
Some phlebotomy generally cuts the last thread of
life

Weakness of the muscles becoming voluntary. Then
you ~~as~~ our bodies lose their strength ^{in old age} exactly in
the same order in which they acquire it in infancy.
~~the same order in which they acquire it in infancy.~~

But this is not all. In extreme old age
~~the Sphincter of the bladder returns~~ returns
to their original involuntary state, and there-
fore hence the Urine ~~is~~ is often
discharged in an involuntary manner.
The arms & legs too ~~become~~ again refuse
to obey the will - hence the frequency ~~of~~
of falls in very old people. In falling, they are
unable to stretch forth, their hands to help
themselves. — return to p 416 +

diseases, & from whole families often
afflicted
dying with the same disease ^{cases.}

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the predisposition to diseases from certain natural, or congenial States of the system.

The first of these mentioned in our letter
 is the different temperaments.

The existence of these temperaments has
 been called in question by some writers, &
 all that variety we perceive in the
 human constitution has been ascribed
 to a variety of impression from a difference
 of education. This opinion is as erroneous
 as that of Delucius which we formerly
 rejected ^{that} the variety in the human
 mind depended upon a difference of
 education. ~~The~~ temperaments have

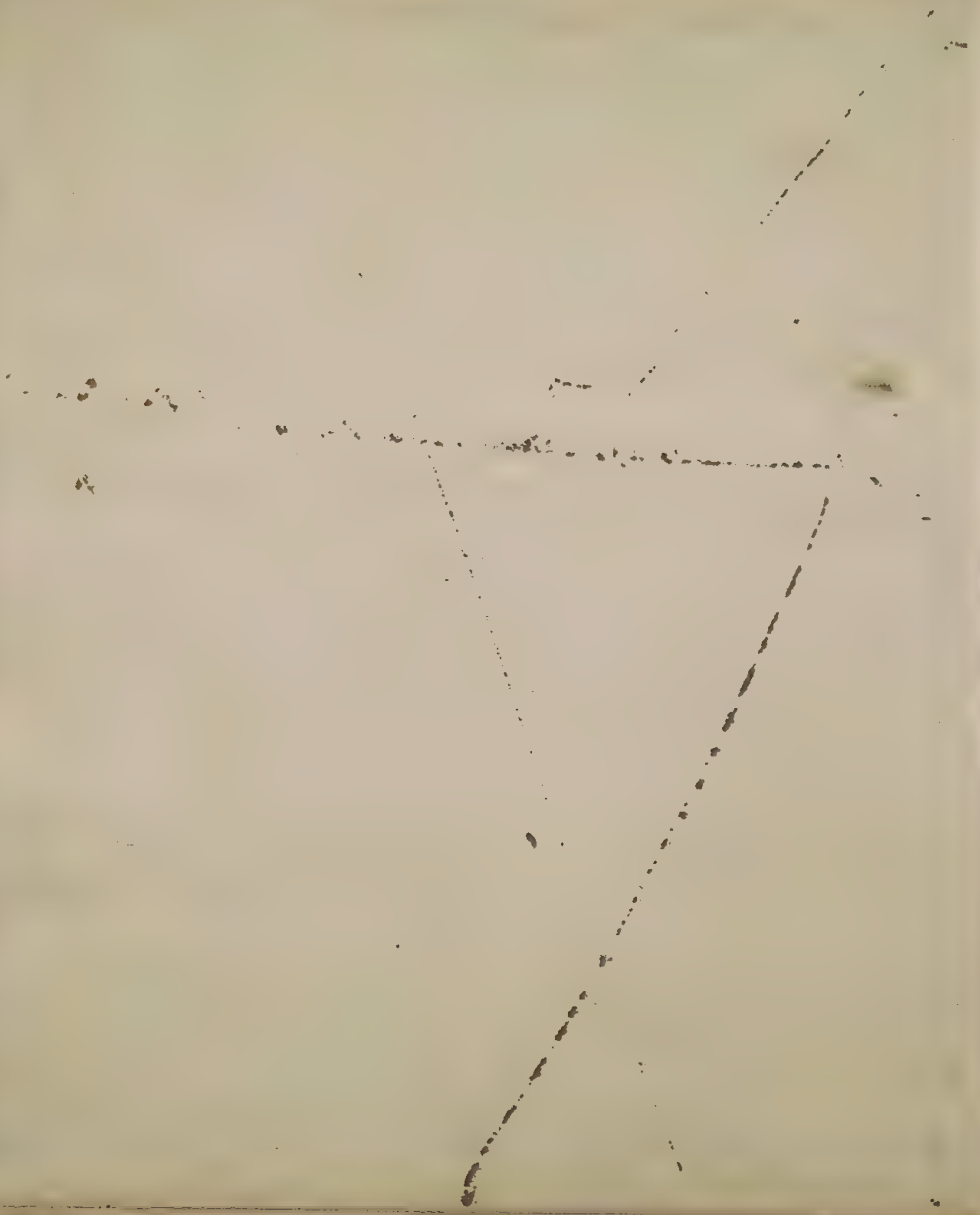
been ~~divided~~ ^{divided} into Sanguineous - Neurasthenic

Bilious - & Phlegmatic. - ~~They~~ They

are the effect of an original & congenial

✓ the former case, and of costiveness -
flatulency - jaundice & obstructed viscera
in the latter case. When it is attended
with a deficiency of excretion, it has
received the name of the Atrabillious
the dark color of the skin & from
temperament, from black bile being
observed so frequently discovered in the
gall bladder, liver, & adjoining parts. -

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debility ^{& excitability,}
~~debility~~ - for ~~we meet~~ in a perfect
human system we meet with no marks
of ~~either~~ ^{any} of the above temperaments. In
the sanguineous temperaments there
appears to be a preternatural excitability
in ~~the~~ the arterial system which disposes
it more to ~~genera~~ - & hemorrhages than
other people. - In the nervous temperament,
there is a preternatural excitability of the
nervous system (including brain - nerves,
& muscles) which disposes it to ~~madness~~
convulsions - In the
- Epilepsy - hysteria & hystero - ~~parietal~~
Bilious temperament - there is a pre-
~~disposition to~~ or a defect of excitability in
- preternatural excitability of the liver, and
in consequence of this a disposition to
an ^{or defective} excessive ~~secretion~~ excretion of Bile,
- hence the frequency of ^{Dysentery} ~~cholera~~ jaundice
- anorexia - & head ach in ~~these habits~~



The Sanguine temperament is the
 reverse of ~~all the temperaments which~~
 the sanguineous & nervous.
~~in have been mentioned. It consists in~~
 a constitutional deficiency of excitability
 or perhaps in every
 in different parts of the body. - It more es-
 pecially occurs in the lymphatic &
 Nervous systems.
 I shall now add ~~some remarks upon~~ ^{to her learned} ~~inquire~~
 † It is of great consequence to attend
 to in the existence of these temperaments
 in all cases, in which we are called upon
 to prescribe for sick people. - The ^{same} remote
 causes of diseases act very differently
 upon persons according as they are
 predisposed by any the above temperaments.
 Dr Daignan illustrates this, by a very
 opposite fact. Four young men of the
 same age, ^{at School} overheat themselves on the

✓ I mentioned a similar fact from Dumas
an epidemic
of ~~a fever~~ in London which affected the organs
of generation, & the Shoulders & Backs of persons
who had ^{either} had the Ven: Disease, or who had been
wounded on their Shoulders & Backs.

✓ as I hinted under Hygeia, how
improper it is to deliver general rules
for the preservation of health.

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same Spring day, & with the same Degrees
of the same exercise. They were all taken
sick afterwards, but each one with a
different disorder, according to his predi-
-cating temperament. This diversity of
temperaments explains the cause why
the same Epidemic so often appears ~~so~~ with
such different symptoms in different
people under very possible equal circum-
-stances. ^{equality} E.g. In a sanguineous tempe-
-rament even the malignant Scurvy
itself ~~sometimes~~ ^{with force} requires
~~the remedy of Blood letting~~ ^{copious} [] — It explains
the cause likewise why the same prescription
both of medicines and diet & ~~regimen~~ ^{exercise} produce
such different & even opposite effects in dis-
-cases in which all other circumstances
are perfectly equal. — It shows further &

They even change in different seasons. Thus they are
V ~~predominant in Spring~~ ^{predominant in Spring} ~~as they are~~ ^{as they are}
B ~~in the full & phlegmatic in winter~~ ^{in the full & phlegmatic in winter}
3 They ~~are~~ are seldom absent in any person.

— They belong in different degrees & different proportions, to persons of all Countries & climates ~~in these~~. Should a child be born ~~with~~ with a perfect body & mind, that is predisposed by ~~up~~ one temperament to any disease, it would soon acquire one, or more of them by the customs of civilized life.

4 The temperaments ^{Sometimes} ~~often~~ descend & spread through whole families, but they are often lost, mixed & changed by the intermarriages of families with each other.

5 ~~Whole nations have sometimes been dis-~~
~~tinguished by a~~ It has been observed that cer-
— tain diseases prevail exclusively, in some nations. This is owing to the predominance of some ~~from~~ one, or more temperaments among them. ~~This~~ The predisposition

I shall conclude this subject 421 by the following remarks.

1 These temperaments are ~~generally~~ ^{generally} blended
together in different proportions - and hence
arises another cause of the different action

of the same diseases & of the same remedies
upon the system. - ~~as when we find them~~

any one of them in a simple state. Arterial bilious
joined. Egypt.

2 ~~These~~ These temperaments act in
other in different periods of life. The primum.

change of ~~the different~~ ^{the different} temperaments
is influenced not only by time, but by many

of the ~~remote~~ ^{remote} circumstances or causes of
diseases formerly enumerated. ✓

These ^{temperaments} should never be lost ^{light} off ⁱⁿ ~~in~~

investigating the cause or prescribing for

the cure of a disease; for in many cases

it is as necessary to accommodate the force

or dose of a medicine to them as it is to the

state of the system in a fever. Eg. V. in the
more copious

purges in the sanguineous & bilious - The

and the Diseases are often lost by the mix-
-ture of Strangers with these Nations by
marriage. It was because the Ancient
Greeks were so insulated in their connections
with each other, that ~~this~~ their Diseases &
the Signs, and Crises of their fevers were
~~more~~ ^{more} uniform than in modern Countries.
- hence too the truth of many of the Opinions
& predictions of Hippocrates, which are ^{not} generally
true ~~under~~ ^{under other} circumstances of ^{country &} climate.

✓ of 300 popes, but five have lived

to be above 50 years of age. —

the most
+ powerful sedatives in the muscular-
- abstraction from study in the mental or
phrenetic, and more active tonics in
the melancholic & ~~hypochondriac~~ ^{hypochondriac} temperaments.

From this ^{view} of the human body
first: we are led to consider not only life,
but even health as a forced state. ~~for~~
From the influence of the temperaments

~~rare Ksparing use of both 1/22 in the case, &~~

① The different conditions of the system in single & married life predispose it to several diseases. -

high men and women who pass
those years in celibacy which should
be devoted to each other ^{are} generally more
disposed to diseases than married Ma-
n & Women: Men are predisposed to
Hypochondriasis when they live without
Society - hence few monks in the
monasteries of Europe ever live to be
beyond 60 years of age! But when single
men live in company, they become
predispose themselves to all the diseases
of irregular life as to eating drinking

✓ added to the causes which induce
~~these~~ diseases in them in common w:
married women,
these, they are predisposed to them
still more, from ~~that~~ ~~the supposed~~
secret, and unfortunate disappoint-
ments in love. —

— perhaps it will be safe to say that
few men exist enjoy a perfect degree of
health; certainly, none live without a
constant predisposition to disease in some
part of the system from ~~an~~ ^{natural} ~~and~~ morbid
debility. ~~hence~~ this remark is not
originally mine. Aelsus long ago said

Sleeping & Days. — ~~But~~ The inconveniences
of both ^{solitude & company} ~~stages~~ of life are felt most hor-
ribly in the decline of life — hence it
has been happily said — “that a Bath-
less life is a good breakfast — a tolerable
dinner — but a very bad supper.”

Single women are predisposed from
the same causes to Hysteria — to Hippo-
condriasis & to more frequent attacks
of “obstructed & preternatural discharges
of the menses than married women.”

Consonant to these observations
bills of mortality show that a greater
proportion of single men & women
among adults die, every year than
of married people. —

~~Rare~~ ^{non aliquam} ~~quidquam~~ ^{non aliquam} ~~partem~~, imbecil.
= lam habet! — ~~How~~ ^{How} few people
pass a whole day with regular ~~exer-~~
-tions in time & quantity! — ~~How rarely~~
~~as does uncommon~~ is or without
measles, or pain in some parts of
the body! and how uncommonly is
it to pass a night without Dreams?
now all these — are morbid phenomena,
and the effects of previous ~~and~~ debility.
In a word — perfect health — is perhaps
as rare a ~~thing~~ as perfect Virtue — or
perfect reason. Be not discouraged as this
frailty of the ^{fragility of the} human body. It loudly pro-
-claims the ~~late~~ necessity of a usefulness
of our profession. ~~return to it~~ ^{6th lesson over} ~~to it~~ —

RB These weaknes in one part, is often attended
with greater strength in other — thus invincible
bloodvessels — wth strong muscles — weak nerves — vigorous
~~disproportion of the~~

Of the single persons Dr Dignan
 proves that more men die than
 women, and more widowers than
 widows. This must be owing to both
 single men & widowers being exposed
 to ~~more~~ from their manner of life
 to more of the remote & occasional
 causes of diseases than single women
 or widows. —

Married men are ~~not~~ predisposed to
 the fevers soon after matrimony. It has
 been remarked that the plague generally
 attacks ~~for~~ men who have been re-
 cently married, from reasons too
 obvious to be mentioned.

Married women are predisposed to

6 Variety in the human mind depends wholly upon the difference of organization and temperament. Hence its changes owing to changes in the latter in childhood & different stages of life.

7 Weakness in one part of the body, or a predisposition to disease from one temperament, is often attended with preternatural strength in another part of the body, or a resistance to disease in another part of the body - hence we see irritability or vibratile blood - defects accompanied w. strong muscles, and rigorous lymphatics with weak nerves. This is evident in hysterical women, ^{hypochond} whose disease the discharge of a large quantity of water is a common symptom.

98 End in to give - or return to ~~of~~.
Pictum: ~~of~~ hypotamus 23 of
of them 419.

no disease in consequence of matrimony
 except such as arise from pregnancy
 & giving suck - or not giving suck when
 they are in a condition to do so. -

Bassermann disposes to diseases
 chiefly by the mortification ~~when~~ and
 distress which ^{are} connected with it.
 - Hence the diseases which are produ-
 ced by it occur chiefly in the first
 years after matrimony. The desire
of progeny is a deep seated principle
 in the human mind, & operates w:
 much more married women than in
 a force in the female mind, in
 married men. In our sex, the desire
 of children is often the effect of ^{vanity} ~~pride~~
 the dread of shame, or ~~ridicule~~ - or of

Whether, it
v ~~Barrenness~~ be simply from anxiety
or disless of mind, I know not, but I think
I have observed barren women to be more
subject to Hysteria - Hypochond' & fluo albus,
than women who bear children. —

Vanity, - or of pride. That the latter
 principles operates in our sex is evident
 from the preference ^{by us to} ~~is given to~~ ~~lose~~
 male children. But very different is
 that principle in the female sex, both
 in its force & delicacy, which prompts
 the desire of ~~an~~ offspring. I have
 known ~~see~~ a lady in affluent & genteel life
 who upon seeing a ^{pregnant} female beggar, ~~at~~
 declared she would joyfully exchange
 conditions with her, only for the sake
 of being with Child. Judge how violently
^{capable of dictating such a}
~~such a~~ passion ~~when disappointed, must~~
~~sentiment must~~ operate ^{when disappointed, upon}
~~on~~ a delicate female Consti-
 -tution. V

The female system during preg-
 nancy.

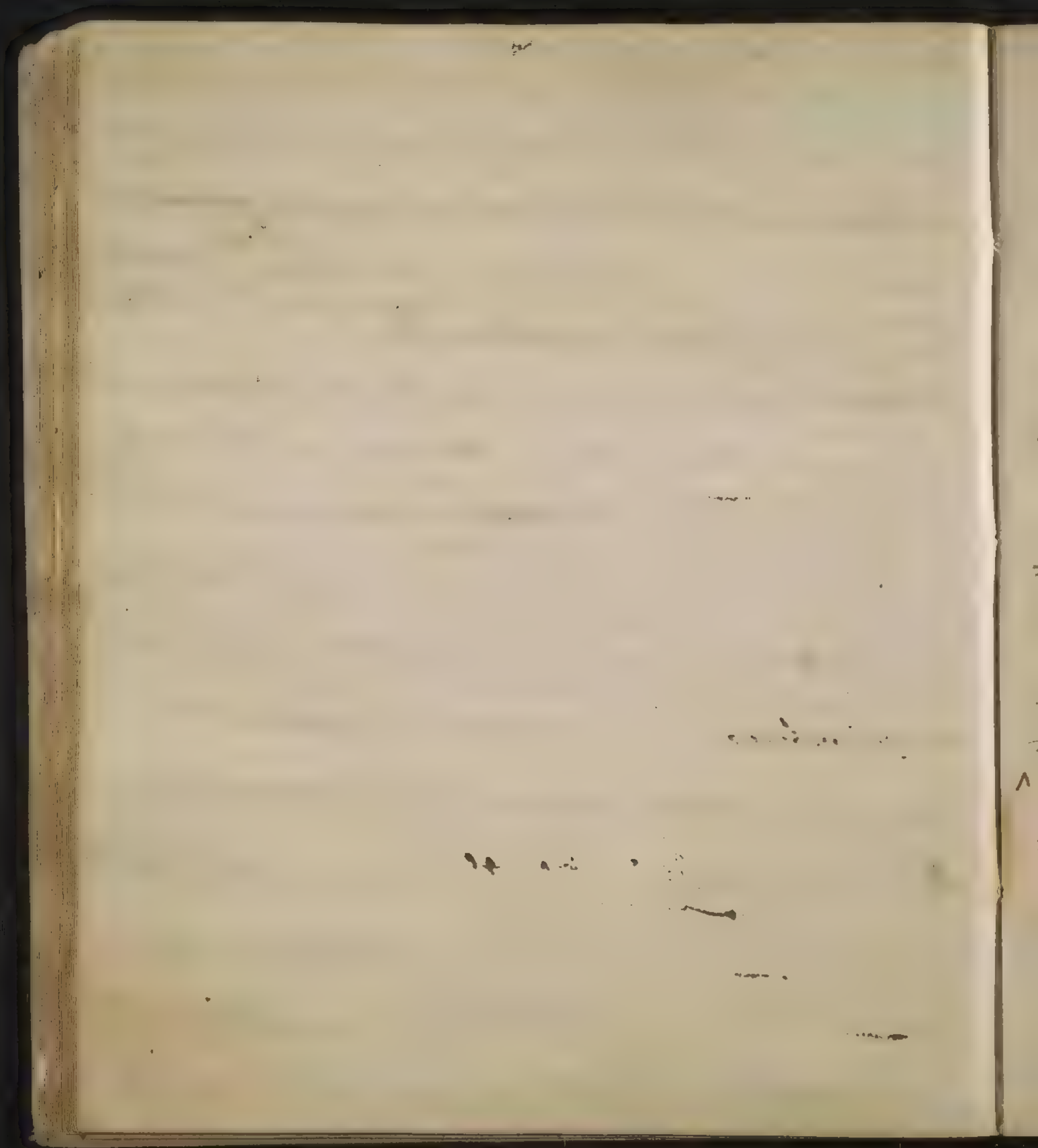
✓ In the 1st place, the inflamⁿ: of the
Throat is ^{generally} such as to ~~also~~ ^{suspend} ~~prevent~~ in-
-flamⁿ: in the lungs; but 2^{ly} where
this is not the case.

from its tonic state 427
is predisposed to inflamm^y diseases of
all kinds. The most antiphlogistics
I have heard ^{of, or} seen were in pregnant
women. — ~~They are bled and treated~~
~~from the tonic state of their system to~~
~~to counteract this disease.~~

It has been remarked, that pregnant
women never die of Consumptions,
may further, — that the consumption
is suspended in them, during the time
of pregnancy. The reasons of this
are as follow:

~~may clearly be explained, from what~~
~~was formerly said of that disease.~~

~~During pregnancy~~ the tone of the
System ^{during pregnancy} is such as to produce the
first degree of pulmonary inflammⁿ:
which is pneumonia, whereas in



the intervals of pregnancy, the system
 is so much weakened as to be able
 to produce only a pneumonia, or
 the pulmonary consumption.

Pregnant Women are moreover
 disposed to suffer more from
 malignant ^{epidemic} ~~contagious~~ fevers than during preg-
 nancy than ^{at} any other time. The
 small pox frequently proves fatal
 to pregnant women, & the plague
 the yellow fever.
 The influence generally induces abor-
 tions in them. I mentioned this fact
 It is strange
 for nearly ~~and~~ ~~excepted~~ at the same
 time ~~may~~ ~~ignore~~ ~~cases~~ of the same
 an ~~light~~ ~~Attack~~ of so subtle a disease
 by a most acute ~~infectious~~ fever
 did not as the hygienists should

✓ Purging prevented Abortion in the
yellow fever, perhaps by inducing
Artificial Dysentery.

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produce an abortion, & the same effect
should not follow an attack of the
most violent inflamm^y fever, or of an
acute Dysentery.

Pregnancy predisposes, by the want
of exercise it imposes on the system,
and by the compression of the parts w^h
are contiguous to the Uterus to puer-
-ile fever. —

It predisposes to the Colic from the
distension induced by the pressure of the
distended Uterus on the bowels. —

It predisposes to vertigo & numbness
of the limbs, from, plethora, & the pressure
of the Uterus on the descending Aorta.

It disposes to mania by the
debility ^{or collapse} it leaves on the brain
after parturition.

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Suckling Children predisposed to
 pulmonary Consumption. Dr. Johnson
 Walker has published an excellent
 in the 2nd vol. of the ^{Medical} Memoirs
 papers on ~~this~~ the effects of Suckling
 in producing that disease ^{case}.

The sudden Abstraction of a Child
 from the breast where there has been
 a plentiful secretion of milk has
 sometimes produced a ~~torrid~~ ^{torrid} ~~plump~~
 in the ~~breast~~ ^{lungs} which ~~is~~ has induced
 pulmonary Consumption where it
 has been attended with previous debility.

The suppression of the milk whether
 from cold, or from weaning a Child disposes
 to Abscess - Scirrhus & Cancer.

The period in which the menses take
 leave of the female constitution is
 marked with a predisposition to
 several diseases. This period lasts
 from 3 months to 3 and 4 years,
 during which time the menses are
 said by the good doctor to Dodge,
 that is, they appear & disappear at
 irregular periods, sometimes once
 a fortnight, & sometimes once ⁱⁿ ~~to~~
 3 or even 6 months. The female
 system undergoes the same change
 in the ^{relative} density, and ^{distensibility} ~~tenacity~~ of the
 arteries & veins which I formerly
 said took place in the male con-
 stitution between 36 and 46. This

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change in women has a greater latitude. It often extends to 50 & even 52 - But it seldom begins till abt 40. -

During this period women are predisposed to all the diseases of Venous plethora - such as Hemorrhoids - Costiveness - Colic - Vertigo - Palcy - and even to ~~pulmonary consumption~~ ^{hemorrhages both} from the Liver & Lungs. From the ^{subsequent} Stagnation & Accumulation of blood, or hemorrh in the Uterus, an Ulcer is often induced in that Organ which frequently ends in Cancer. From the influence of the variable state of the tension ⁱⁿ of the Uterus, effusions sometimes take place in the breasts

of women at this ⁴³³time of life which
likewise end in Schirr & cancers.

During the whole of this period the
nervous system is affected - hence we
often find it marked by Hysteria &
Hypochondriasis. - For the method of
treating the female system during
this period, I refer you to Dr Folkes's
works. -

Deformity in face, or configuration
of the whole, or of any part of the
body, also congenial weakness of a
part or of a whole of the body dispose
to many diseases. -

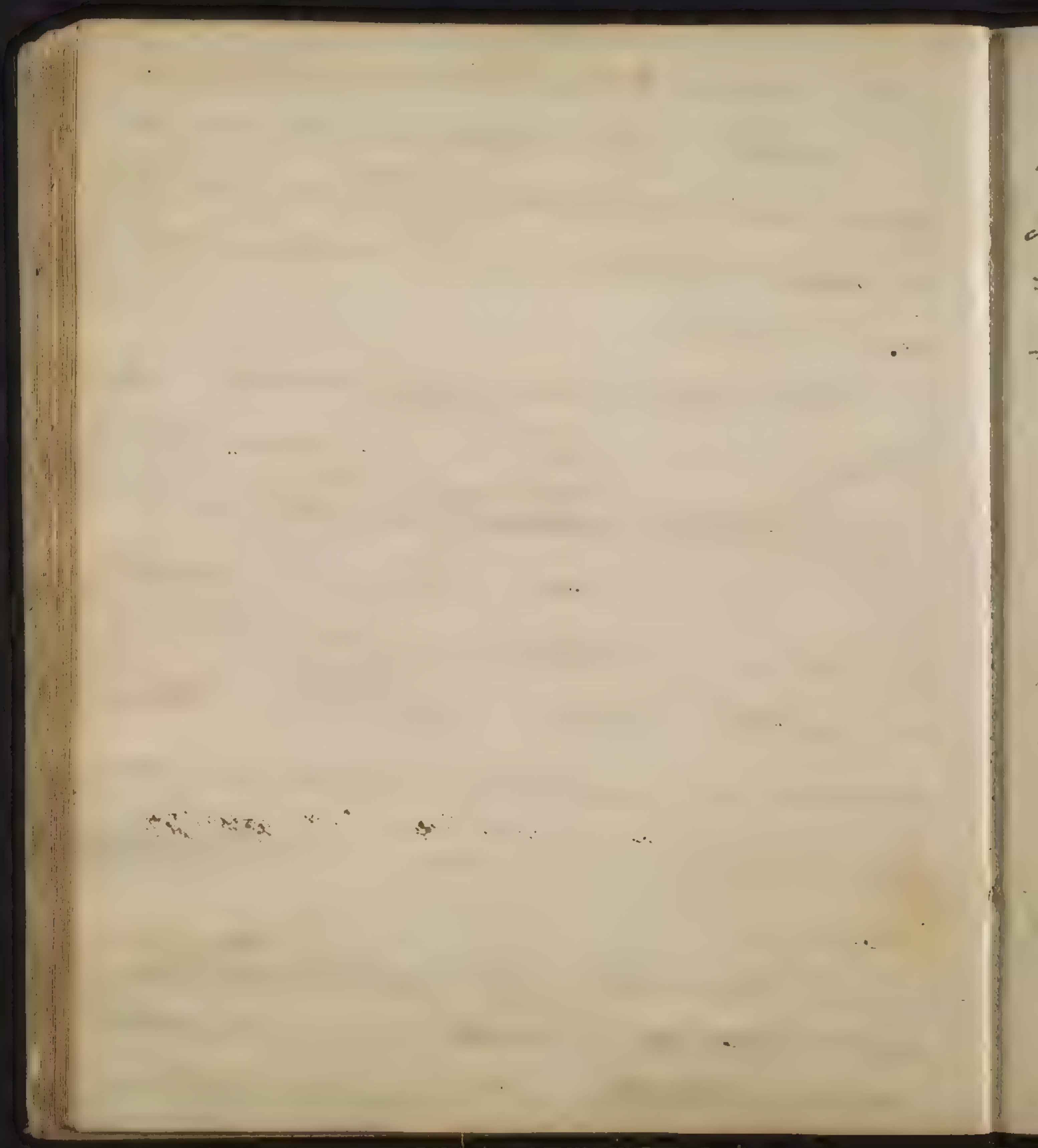
There is a natural connection
between elegance and symmetry of shape,
and good health, and this is probably



One reason why complexion & figure are so pleasing to the eye. There is a secret idea inspired by them that they are the both the cause & effect of general health. —

Deformity is the consequence of ^{when general} disease. It consists 1 in a preternatural ^{or the reverse} height ^{of its case.} ~~whether great or small~~. 2 In preternatural fat extent, or diminution of the size of the body whether from an excess or deficiency of fat. When partial it consists in a preternatural figure of the head - breast - trunk and limbs. —

Preternatural height ^{this goes} ~~whether~~ ^{many} great heights to ~~all the~~ diseases, ~~of~~ disease ~~debility~~. Dr Daignan places



the medium duration of human life
 in very tall people between 25 & 27.
 I once saw an Italian ^{of 7 feet 4 inches in} who was esti-
 mated ^{height} in London as a giant, whose an-
 cestors ~~his~~ for many generations had
 all died before they were 26. —
~~very~~ Men of very low stature, or
 Dwarfs are generally weakly, and
 short lived. The only exception I have
 met with to this remark is the Dwarf
 bro't from Germany to Eng^d by George
 the 3^d who lived to be upwards of 80.
 Beyond a certain age is the effect of
Frailty a disease — and whenever
 it occurs it predisposes to many diseases,
 particularly to those of ^{congestion in} plethoric form
 the viscera ^{from} the sanguiferous system &
 to all ~~the~~ the diseases which follow

V The causes of fat when it becomes
a disease are

a deficiency of exercise, for it ~~disposes~~ ^{generally} disposes to too much rest. Few men who become fat before 40 are long-lived.

~~A~~ A deficiency of fat does not often occur to such a degree as to dispose to diseases of any kind.

Deformity or disproportion in certain parts of the body disposes to many diseases. A big head - and a short neck dispose to Apoplexy - a narrow chest to ^{asthma} consumption & a crooked spine, to diseases of the bowels. - and Deformities in the ^{lower} limbs dispose to Diseases, only by lessening the ability to use exercise - Women suffer less from deformity than men, probably because they suffer less than men from the want of exercise. It is said that by Montaigne that

deformity disposes to universal pleasures -
 - He ascribes it to preternatural determination
 - nation to the Organs of Generation. Pro-
 - bably it arises only from that morbid
 excitability of the ^{ven. appetite} ~~passions~~ which follows
 the want of exercise. -

Congenital weakness of a part or of the
 whole of the body disposes to all ~~the~~ diseases
~~of debility~~. At seven months children
 generally bring this weakness into the
 world with them. where the force of
 stimuli which are applied to the body
 are exactly accommodated to this con-
 -genital weakness, it does not necessarily
 produce disease, or a short duration
 of life. The present King of Great Britain
 was seen a seven months child, and

Again certain disorders produce diseases. &c.

✓ A Structure in the Urethra has often induced an intermittent. Water in the Ven-
-tricles of the brain by its reaching on the
System produces convulsions & palsy. A Scurvy
Liver produces Dropsy partial & general, &
even a carious tooth has become the
inlet of such morbid excitement into the
System as to produce, Rheumatism, in-
-fermitting fever, and pulmonary Consump-
-tion. Of the last facts I shall mention
more particularly hereafter. - here go
to ~~dominant life~~ - history of death. -

[This Gent: have I delivered as full an Acc^t
of as I was able of ^{what are called the proximate} the remote - predisposing,
& exciting causes of diseases. I have used those
terms in conformity to modern writers
particularly to Dr. Cullen, but a more
natural division would have been
into ~~proximate~~ ^{proximate} & remote - the latter including the
into ~~remote~~ predisposing - & exciting on

I ~~know~~ ^{near} 438 ^{lived to be}
a lady of this city who ~~lived to be~~
^{above} ~~between 60 & 70~~ who enjoyed good health,
~~lived to be~~ in the evening of her life, &
who was likewise the free offspring of
an Abortion. Her childhood - youth
& middle life were marked with great
weakness, and many attacks of acute
& chronic diseases. —

With this we finish, the predisposing
causes of diseases which are natural.
Those which are artificial are the effects
of certain ^{actual} diseases in ~~predisposing~~ to
others. E.g. ~~Consumption~~ Pneumony, when
neglected or half cured, disposes to Consump-
tion, - and intermitting fevers to Jaun-
dice and Dropsy; The remitting fever
of children & disposes to Hydrocephalus
& intermus, & continues to Colic. [The

occasional causes. ~~you say~~ I have
only to repeat again the ~~links which~~
~~connect~~ that there is but one Disease viz:
morbid excitement - but one predisposing
cause viz ^{induced by stimulus; or the abstraction} debility - & but one exciting
^{of stimulus in the form of what?} cause viz ~~a stimulus or irritant~~
Hunter calls an irritant. In those
cases where debility is induced ^{whether it be from} ~~by~~ ^{affection} ~~these~~
^{or} Abstraction ^{of stimulus} ~~of stimulus~~, I believe indirect
^{depression} debility is generally induced by the ~~first~~ ^{higher}
impression of the irritating cause, ~~before~~
morbid excitement ^{or disease} is excited in any
part of the body. ^{go to p 444} ~~Here you see I need~~ ^{Animal life}
~~not~~ ^{fully} ~~go to p 444~~ ~~see~~ ~~you see~~ ~~I need~~
further & further from Dr Brown who supposes
= direct debility only to predispose to
Disease. I believe this direct debility must
first be converted into indirect ~~before~~ by
the first impression of the irritating cause
before morbid excitement, or ~~disease~~ ^{disease} is produced.
~~see p 444~~

whole of this head may be summed
 up in a few words - and that they are,
 that these Diseases are connected together
 by links, and that the metastasis of
 diseases tho' apparently subject to no
 laws, are nevertheless, the consequence of
 one disease predisposing to another]

[Little need be said upon
 III The ^{exciting or occasional} ~~occasional~~ causes of diseases
 After what has been said, on this st.
 remote & predisposing causes. The occasi-
 onal cause acts only upon predispo-
 sition - hence the saying of Galienus.
 "Causa occasionalis non nocet nisi
 a combined action of
 predispositio". There may be remote
 predisposing causes upon the system w:
 out a disease. The occasional cause
 is that exciting power which steps in

✓ upon morbid action, & distinguished
it from predisposing debility, and
from those obstructions - Effusions &c
which are the mere effects of disease,
& which I have called Disorder. Disease
has received different names according to
the parts of the body it ~~affects~~ affects.
- In the blood vessels - it is called fever -
in the ~~veins~~ ^{muscles} it is called convulsion -
~~in the veins~~ - Hysteria - Melancholia
- in the Brain - ~~and~~ madness & in the Lungs
Spasm - &c - But all the different
affections of these & other parts of the
^{depend on one cause viz}
body, are ~~nothing but~~ nothing but ~~modified~~ modified
movement, or irregular action.

and by acting on the ^{440.} predisposition
creates the disease. } ~~Q. to R. 12. p. 525.~~
Let: Feb: -

[We come now to the most difficult
& important part of our whole course
viz: to inquire into the proximate
cause of Diseases.]

I formerly ~~defined~~ ^{stated} the proximate
cause of a disease was the last link in
the chain of the causes which produces a

disease - or in other words, it is the

Disease itself. I said ^{formerly} that it depended

I have divided diseases in the
syllabus into general, & partial or local.

The general diseases affect the whole
of certain parts of the
system - the local diseases ^{affect} only parts,
without bringing ^{of a} the whole system

V from 439.

In our lectures upon the practice of physic
I shall pursue ^{this} morbid excitement into ^{all} ~~the~~ ~~art~~ ~~that~~
it holds ~~whether~~ ^{they} be in the blood vessels
~~nerve~~ ~~system~~ Lymphatics, Viscera - Intestinal Canal,
and external surface of the body, and mind ^{on} ~~the~~
blended in all the different systems. ~~that~~ ~~be~~ at one, or in
thing demands your attention before we
pass on to each other. One
quit this part of our course, & that is,
~~so~~ nearly all impressions which produce
more or less
disease, discover themselves ~~in~~ in the stomach -
the liver - and the spleen. The stomach
~~is~~ ~~the~~ the center of the most extensive
or associations
sympathies with every part of the body. ~~For~~
~~it therefore should we look in every~~ I have
often compared it to the dial plate of a watch
which discovers in the position of the hour & minute
hands the smallest deviations from Order in
the motions of the numerous wheels which com-
-pose that useful piece of machinery. Consider-
-ing its wonderful properties as the antineural

Intod lymphathy.

✓ In order to explain the ~~operation~~^{cause} of general ~~diseases~~ diseases, I shall divide the body into ~~the~~⁷ following systems.

viz: the ¹ Arterial & the ² venous - the muscles - nerves -

(which I shall subdivide into Brain - and mind.

~~nerves & vessels~~ -) the ³ Alimentary Canal

in which I include the stomach - the

⁴ glandular & Lymphatic systems - the

⁵ surface of the body - the ⁶ blood & ⁷ secreted fluids.

All these systems are connected together in such a manner, that a

disease in one of them sometimes ~~pro-~~

^{occurs} a disease in them all - But

this is far from being always the case.

- The source of them are related to

of the system when it is ^{affected} ~~the~~ ~~entire~~ by disease or
~~death~~ ~~the~~ ~~entire~~ by death, I do not wonder that
Van Helmont made it the seat of his
Archæus, or principle of disease, & that some
physicians have made it the constant dwell-
-ing place of the soul. The Liver feels most
morbid impressions in the next degree. Hence
we find it is diseased from the influence of
Heat - exercise - ^{Anger} and above all Hominia:
- mata. The morbid ^{cause} ~~matter~~ be it what it
may, that produces the Scarlatina ^{angiprosa,} ~~disease~~
& the Angina maligna acts powerfully upon
the Liver - hence a discharge of bile is a com-
-mon symptom in those diseases. The
~~of~~ ^{is likewise a reservoir of morbid}
~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~feels~~ ~~impressions~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~morbid~~
- bid impressions particularly of those
which ^{act on the Arterial System.} ~~are of a morbid nature.~~
this I shall give you some proofs

each other by the strongest ties, and
 sympathize with each other in
 every pain to which each is expo-
 sed - Others appear to be as little
 affected by the diseases of even those
 systems which ^{are contiguous to} ~~adjoin~~ them as if
 they did not belong to the same body.
 In ^{the} ~~the~~ a simple state of the ^{whole body} ~~system~~
^{the} ~~the~~ ^{disposition of} it is probable the relation of these
 divisions of the systems is as uniform
 as the relation of chemical bodies to
 each other. But diversified as the
 body is by ^{dispositions} ~~difference of composition~~
 use and states of society, this relati-
 onship is often irregular & cannot
 be subjected to any certain laws.

in the lectures upon the Diseases of the
mind, where I shall deliver ^{to you} a new

theory of the Use of that viscous.

~~go to the~~ ~~to the~~

go to cause & phenomena
of death. p 443

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of affinity. As far as they are obvious
I shall occasionally mention them.

I was first led to take this view of
the facts and Affinities or Sympathies
of diseases, by observing how much
many diseases supposed to be local
~~changed~~ ^{passed} ~~engrafted~~ from system to
~~one~~ ~~into~~ ~~the~~ ~~system~~ ~~and~~
system, without migrating from
the body, & 2^d by observing the effects
of different medicines upon the body.
~~Although~~ I can by no means admit
of the Specific Action of Medicines upon
particular viscera - but, ^{I view} all the num-
erous errors upon the subject of Specific
Stimuli as the Counterparts of truths,
and these truths, I conceive consist



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in the Specific Action of certain me-
-dicines upon ^{the} Specific Systems which
have been mentioned. E.g. Bark
seems to act ^{primarily &} specifically on the Arter-
-ial System - Gentian & Columba
on the Stomach & Bowels - Asafetida
on the Nerves - Oil of Amber on
the Muscles - Stannum on
the Brain - ^{champaigne wine on the mind -} Mercury on the Lymphatic
- vessels and Glands ^{Sulphur on the Skin -} and certain Ali-
-ments on the blood. They all act
~~more~~ individually on other systems,
but in so feeble a manner as seldom
to be prescribed in their diseases with
advantage. There are medicines
which act on more than one of these

✓ 3. I was led to adopt this division of the body into the above systems by observing the effects which the excitement or diminution of the excitement of some one of them had upon another. Eg: It was by observing the effects of exciting the arterial system on the muscles - that I was led to use tonics, and even remedies to excite ^{a moderate degree of} inflammation diathesis in the cure of Tetanus. The intimate connection of the skin with the bowels first suggested to me the use of Blisters in the Dysenteria & of tonics ^{& laxatives} in diseases of the skin according as they were attended with ^{relaxation or} ~~relaxation~~ ^{too little} inflammation. ^{I was led} ~~It was moreover~~ ^{by this division of the} ~~to~~ ^{excite} ~~the~~ ^{system} Use of Calomel in the Angina lymphatica trachealis humoralis. ~~It is~~ The Calomel by stimulating the Stomach & bowels, so as to promote function & excretion in them, opens or checks both in the Trachea -

systems at the same time - e.g. Vol.
Salt acts at once upon the arterial
& venous systems. Again - there is
a medicine which acts upon the whole
of these system at once - Opium has
this preeminence, & in this I apprehend
that unit of its operation consists which
distinguishes it from wine & every other
stimulus. —

I shall first mention and endeavour
to explain the ^{causes of the} diseases which affect y.
~~whole body~~ ^{the} ~~medium~~ of the arte-
rial or sanguiferous system. I am na-
- turally led to begin with ~~these~~ diseases
of this ~~system~~ ^{system} because ~~they~~ ^{it is} the most universal,
and from an obvious reason - that is,
the peculiar situation of the arteries

4 Having adopted this division of the system I
am led to support ^{it} by observing how much
it reconciles the most opposite principles,
& facts in medicine, by making all of them
true in their proper places. Instead ^{therefore} of rejecting
the systems of my predecessors, I am daily more
& more disposed to adopt parts of each of them ^{in toto}.

5 By the surface of the body, ^{go to therapeutics.} I beg that
it may be remembered I include the
external surface of the lungs & throat &
the two former ^{largely} partake of the action of
~~the two former~~ ^{the action of} the two most debilitating & exciting
causes of fever which have been mentioned
viz: heat & cold.

The authors of
and tend to instead of treating any one of them
with contempt, I feel for them all both
gratitude & respect. [In this like matter
are indelible in ^{their} nature, and
however obscured & diluted ^{they may be} by errors ^{yet}
^{so} it must sooner or later become visible,

the 4th System.

with respect to other parts of the body.
They are as it were the drift parts of
~~the body~~ ~~the surface of~~
the whole body. They
terminate on ^{its} surface of the body

the first shock of all the debilitating
causes formerly mentioned, more
especially heat and cold. Then they
exhibit the first
sufferings or marks of that derange-
ment of ^{action} ~~motion~~ ~~or disorder~~ which

constitutes a disease. — This derange-
ment ~~or disorder~~ has been called

Fever.

go to p 451 V This I shall say hereafter de-
fect fever. I shall begin its ~~the~~ ~~part~~ by
depends on a convulsive action in the blood vessels.
~~involving into the~~ ~~processes~~ ~~causes~~

shall then describe it here bring in Vol: 4: ^{4th} of
~~this disorder~~ ~~where~~ I shall only repeat
what I have said in Vol: 4: ^{4th} of
you are acquainted with what I taught in

our clinical lectures. [Bring in proof:
I have only to add to this acc² of


& useful. I have sometimes compared
them to the ~~words~~ conversation of the
people described by Mr Addison which
~~frozen~~ at the North pole during the winter,
but which upon the approach of the
Spring, became audible, so that not a
single word ~~perished~~ that had been uttered
by the company during the winter. O/p 24/4

[In this ~~diminutive~~ ^{diminution of the} ~~history of diseases as~~ ^{claim}
diseases by different systems, I have ~~stumbled~~
no other merit, than having stumbled upon
a new & fortunate situation, from which
I have been able to grasp in my eye a
more exact, ^{& extensive} view of the geography of an
old & long discovered Island. By means of
this position I ~~thought~~ ^{was} the number, ^{courses} and
extent, of & above all, the natural, & artificial
communications of the Rivers & Creeks &
Canals of ~~these~~ this Island have become

fever that it frequently affects the ^{whole} nervous system with delirium - the alimentary canal - the glandular & lymphatic systems, and even the skin & blood.

The different states of the system ~~for the duration of~~ in Inflam^y - remitting - Intermittent - & rem^y fever, ^{were so fully described} ~~as to require no further~~ ^{as I hope suggested for, that I need not} ~~species of fever~~ - repeat what ^{has been} ~~was~~ said upon this occasion.

They ^{all} terminate inⁿ in effusions of blood in the viscera - and of ~~serum~~ called sweat - or pus on the external parts of the body - when this effusion occurs on any part of the skin it is called an Abscess, and is universally supposed to be the effect of the general fever, but when it ~~is~~ ^{as it sometimes does after} occurs in the lungs it is an inflam^y fever, which affects

more obvious to visit, and the means of con-
veying the Articles of Commerce both into
this Island & out of it have become more
expeditions & certain. ~~The Subsequent Obser-~~
~~vations will I hope show the Application~~
~~of this simile to the Subject before us.~~ - I
invite you Gent. to come and ~~take~~ occupy ^{the}
^{Situation which I} ~~one the described~~ have described - or rather
I advise you to have me behind you, and
to explore the width & depth of those ^{waters,} ~~riots,~~
~~and~~ with all the superior Advantages you
will derive from ^{your} more ~~active~~ youthful &
more vigorous Senses. Subsequent Observations
will I hope show the Application of this simile
to the Subject before us. 

is called an Ulcer, ~~and~~ This Ulcer is a
symptom ^{only} of a pulmonary Consumption
but it has unfortunately been consid^d as
one of its causes, altho ^{it is produced} ~~its production is~~
in a manner
so exactly the same with the Abscess
on the Liver.

2 The Hectic fever differs from the
fevers which have been described by af-
fecting the arterial system only, with
irregular or convulsive action. The
Intellects are clear - the nerves &
muscles ^{are} free from pain - or undue mo-
-tion & the ~~Stomach~~ Appetite is good,
the bowels are regular & all the secre-
tions & excretions are natural in
a Hectic fever. —

The 2nd disease of the Arterial system

✓ These hemorrhages have been called
active and passive - and the limits of the
former have been confined to the Arteries,
& of the last to the Veins - But this is
an improper division of them. Perhaps
it would be ^{more} ~~proper~~ to call ~~them~~ I have seen
hemorrhages accompanied with great
excess of action ^{in the Arteries} in people in the decline of
^{life} ~~people~~, and with great deficiency of action
in persons under the period of the venous
plethora. -

is hemorrhage. The ~~the~~ convulsion
 in the arteries here is less than in con-
 -vulsion ~~fever~~ - owing to the discharge
 of blood from the dilated or ruptured
 extremities of the vessels. The other sys-
 -tems are but little affected with this
 disorder in the arteries, ^{by} ~~with~~ pain or
 irregular action. The nervous system
 somewhat ^{is} affected ~~with~~ hemorrhagia interna.
 But when the hemorrhage is internal
 it brings more of the system into
 sympathy more especially when it
 occurs in the brain. ✓

3 The Arterial system is affected in
 certain Dropsies. There it suffers either
 in a primary ~~being~~ or secondary way,

✓ 4 The Arteries are affected in the ^{febrile} mania - in gout -
~~from~~ ⁱⁿ Apoplexy & palsy ^{together} with the ^{brain} nerves,
muscles - alimentary canal - & skin
The gout ^{affects} the ^{arteries &} nerves first, and
afterwards ~~with~~ all the systems of
the body. It affects the glands by a salivari-
-tion - and the skin with blisters - and
Erysipelas - and it ~~disorders the blood~~ ^{lastly the changes the}
very properties of the blood itself. - In the
~~diffusions which these changes cause~~
^{tonic state} of Gout it is confined chiefly to
~~proportion~~ the Arteries & nerves - In proportion as it
becomes atonic it extends itself to all the
systems which have been named. It ^{is} some-
times ^{so atonic as to} its first appearance in the
Stomach & bowels, ^{to} affects the Arteries
last - or not at all. I consider febrile mania,

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According as the Dropsy depends upon
the stimulus of effusions acting on
the Arteries, or upon an original undue
tone in the Arteries producing the
dropical effusions. — V

~~4 The Arterial system is affected, with
the Glandular & Lymphatic system in
Scrophula, and with the Skin in Ulcers -
and ⁱⁿ local poisons of all kinds. But of this
more hereafter. —~~

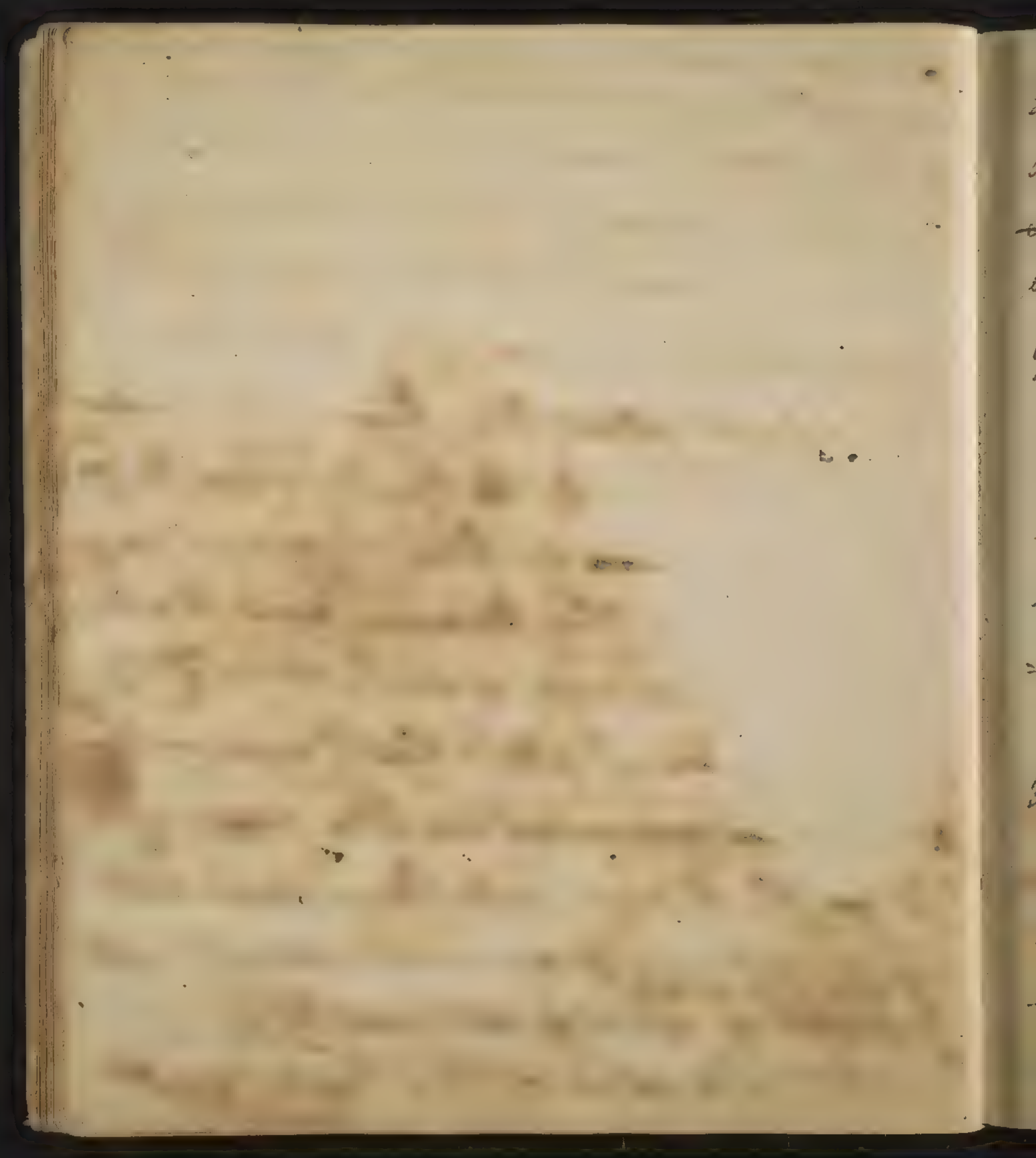
5 The Arterial system brings the liver
into sympathy in Hepatitis from bilious
remitting fever.

6 It affects the stomach with vomiting &
the bowels with Dysentery.

7 It affects the skin with rash as in
bilious & intermitting fever.

Joint - Apoplexy & ^{Palsy.} ~~manic~~ as the connecting
links of Arterial & Nervous systems; and
therefore I have given the last place under
the head of Arterial ~~system~~ diseases.

we come now to 451 which affect the body
speak of ~~General~~ diseases, thro' the medium
of the ^{mind} ~~Brain~~ Brain - nerves - & muscles.
~~I have stated~~ In the physiological
lectures, I adopted the opinion of ~~Dr.~~
Monro & several other Physiologists,
who assert that the tendons & muscles
are appended only to the nerves, & ⁺
the nerves ~~are~~ in like manner were
appended to the Brain, and that
they did grow out of each other ~~& so~~
this opinion, I added that I supposed ^e
part of the brain which was the seat of the
Mind to be appended in like manner
to be the brain, and this is much cited
upon, and acting so much upon it, yet
I believed it to be
capable of existing without it.
This view of the Physiology of



been confirmed
 the nervous system, has induced ~~one to~~
 by observing certain Diseases to affect ~~one~~
 of the muscles - the nerves - & the Brain
 & the mind, without affecting the whole
 what is called ^{Before I proceed to}
 of the nervous system. ~~I shall briefly~~
 mention these Diseases, I shall briefly
~~remark~~, that all the Diseases of this
 system like the Diseases of the Arterial
 system originate in ^{Direct or indirect} predisposing debi-
 lity, ^{This is abundantly} ~~manifest~~ evident from the causes
 which induce them - from their symptoms,
 & from their method of cure. Debility
 being induced; the nervous ~~system~~ ^{after debility,} like
 the Arterial system, becomes more
 excitable, and from the Action of stimuli,
 is thrown into irregular motions

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